

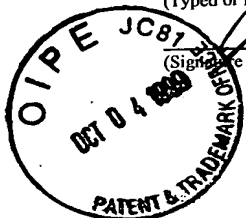
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Attorney Docket No. 17616-705

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In re Patent Application of)

Hugh R. Sharkey, et al.)

Examiner: D. Shay

Application No.: 08/714,987)

Group Art Unit: 3739

Filed: September 17, 1996)

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF
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| three months to <u>10/2/99</u> ; the extension fee is | [X] \$435.00 | [] \$870.00; |
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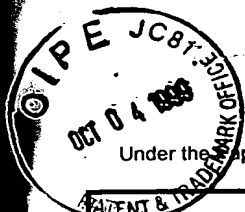
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| <div style="text-align: center;">FEE TRANSMITTAL <small>Note: Effective December 8, 1998 Patent fees are subject to annual revision.</small></div> | | Complete if Known | |
| | | Application Number | 08/714,987 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$435) | | Filing Date | September 1, 1996 |
| | | First Named Inventor | Hugh Sharkey |
| | | Group Art Unit | 3739 |
| | | Examiner Name | D. Shay |
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| METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one) | | FEE CALCULATION (continued) | |
| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to: Deposit Account Number: 23-2415 (17616-705) Deposit Account Name: Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 <input type="checkbox"/> Charge the Issue Fee Set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the Mailing of the Notice of Allowance | | 3. ADDITIONAL FEES | |
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| FEE CALCULATION | | | |
| 1. FILING FEE | | | |
| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
| 101 760 | 201 380 | Utility filing fee | |
| 106 310 | 206 155 | Design filing fee | |
| 107 480 | 207 240 | Plant filing fee | |
| 108 760 | 208 380 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 114 150 | 214 75 | Provisional filing fee | |
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| 2. CLAIMS | | | |
| Total Claims | 29 - 29 = | Extra Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| 103 18 | 203 9 | Claims in excess of 20 | |
| 102 78 | 202 39 | Independent claims in excess of 3 | |
| 104 260 | 204 130 | Multiple dependent claim | |
| 109 78 | 209 39 | Reissue independent claims over original patent | |
| 110 18 | 210 9 | Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent | |
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| 105 130 | 205 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 127 50 | 227 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 130 | 139 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 2,520 | 147 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | |
| 112 920* | 112 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 113 1,840* | 113 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 115 110 | 215 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 380 | 216 190 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 870 | 217 435 | Extension for reply within third month | 435 |
| 118 1,360 | 218 680 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 1,850 | 228 925 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 300 | 219 150 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 300 | 220 150 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 260 | 221 130 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 1,510 | 138 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 110 | 240 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 1,210 | 241 605 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 1,210 | 242 605 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 430 | 243 215 | Design issue fee | |
| 144 580 | 244 290 | Plant issue fee | |
| 122 130 | 122 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 50 | 123 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 240 | 126 240 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 581 40 | 581 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 146 790 | 246 395 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 149 760 | 249 380 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
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